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Spirit of the Press.

Mississippi's new governor goes for the lynchers with a vengeance and suggests that the Legislature enact laws whereby the county in which a lynching takes place shall pay to the family of the victim a large sum of money as indemnity. This will stop the business; for the Mississippi hoosier don't want to be taxed for killing Negroes.—Mobile (Ala.) Press.

If the Negro can manage to be a friend to himself his future is secure. He must learn the value of time and money. To waste either is equally foolish. There are traits which we must leave off. Mean, little, petty jealousies cause much of our present condition. Let us be men of honor, or get out of the way and let men of honor come by.—Selma, (Ala.) Record.

R. C. O. Benjamin, the able editor of the wide awake Lexington Standard defines the stars and stripes in this country thus: "Stars are for the whites and stripes are for the blacks." If the blacks will only learn to be independent, they can stripe the whites also with their ballots. Urge them to action, Brother Benjamin.—Pioneer Press, Martinsburg, W. Va.

The Negro who has not in him the business qualifications to earn a living is a dependent, a pauper, and is undesirable as a citizen, no matter how much useless information he may have lying loose in his cranium. One trouble with us as a race is that we are not enough interested in our standing among other races. We are too easily satisfied and not very anxious to get far away from the old landmark. We dress well, we look well, and talk well; but in far too many cases that is all there is nothing behind it. We need good stores and business houses of every description. We must get money.—Biloxi (Miss.) Gazette.

The Negro who thinks he is "actin' like de white fo'ks" and who refuses to patronize Negro establishments, is a fool. A white man patronizes his own race first. Who ever heard of a white woman talking about not allowing a white dressmaker to sew for her, or a white shopper refusing to buy at a white store, or a white teacher refusing to read a white newspaper? Nobody, and nobody ever will. White people have sense. They know blood is thicker than water, and so knowing, they act along this line. The Negro does not need to talk so much of race love; he needs to shut up and work, and subscribe for his race paper.—The American Guide.

R. H. Fitzhugh, General Manager of the Colored Orphan Industrial Home, of Lexington Kentucky, and is well known for his long and ardent labors in behalf of the race, argues at length in the Lexington Standard that the Negro of the South, except for the social barrier and its natural effects, "is already as free and unbounded as any man in the land. As an agriculturist or skilled mechanic," he says, "he has not only an open, unobstructed field, but his services are in such unavoidable demand that, to a very great extent he controls the scale of wages under which he is employed." He also argues that "it is only the vicious and idle of the race who get into trouble." It must be admitted that the South is the natural home of the Negro. Those who urge him to scatter over the various States of the North and South overlook the fact that his industrial opportunities are almost entirely eliminated in these far-away sections, except in a few isolated instances. With the superior opportunities portrayed by Captain Fitzhugh, there should be a bright future for the Negro in the South.—Denver (Colo.) Statesman.

The Negro newspaper is the black man's only forum where an impartial hearing is guaranteed. It is not a luxury, but one of the most pressing necessities of this age. The Negro who refuses to sustain an honest race journal is blind to his best interests.—Colored American, Washington, D. C.

More than that. A Negro who refuses to sustain an honest race journal is more often than otherwise, not only

blind to his best interests, but so prejudiced and chock full of cussedness that, even if he sees the good in a Negro journal, he pretends that he does not see it, and is never so happy as when engaged in the nefarious work of crippling the influence of the paper and speaking ill of the men who make sacrifices that the race may have this most effective champion of the rights and liberties of a long oppressed and proscribed people.—The Progress.

Two Omissions.

A Negro preacher had just concluded the ceremony which united an old Negro in matrimony for the fourth time.

The silence which usually follows an occasion of this kind was broken by the preacher in his effort to relieve the embarrassment of the attendants.

"It is usually the custom," he said "for the preacher to kiss the bride, but this time we will omit."

The groom gave his young wife a healthy smack and turning to the preacher said:

"Parson, it am usually de case fer de groom to give his parson somethin', but dis time we'll omit." And he walked away from the astonished preacher with his bride on his arm.—Memphis Scimitar.

They Saluted the Flag.

A Negro color sergeant of the Forty-ninth Infantry gave some white soldiers of the Forty-second a lesson in respect for the flag, in Honolulu. A large crowd of white soldiers stood at Hobron's corner to see the colored regiment go by. They did not notice the flag at all. The color sergeant rushed up to the crowd.

"Are you American soldier?" demanded he.

"Yes," they said.

"Then salute this flag and be quick about it."

In a jiffy all caps were off and the salute was given. A white commissioned officer was on the sidewalk. His cap came off with the rest and he showed that he felt the justice of the rebuke.—Hawaiian Flag

Vinegar Ferments.

Cincinnati, Jan. 25.—At the Main Street Colored Baptist Church, Covington, Tuesday night, when Rev. Peter Vinegar, of Lexington, who had been invited to preach a special sermon, staggered to the pulpit, a stout "mammy" in a front seat exclaimed:

"Sit down, you ole fool. You's drunk."

Pastor Vinegar paused, clenched his fists and roared:

"If I am drunk I'm not—" and he used a vile epithet. "How dare you make such insinuations? You ain't got the sense of a rabbit, 'deed you ain't. Drunk, I is a virtuous man, an' lives with mah own wife and brothers an' sisters. There's powerful few in dis heyar church which can say the same. An' dat ain't no lie."

Men and women arose indignantly and a movement towards the pulpit was made.

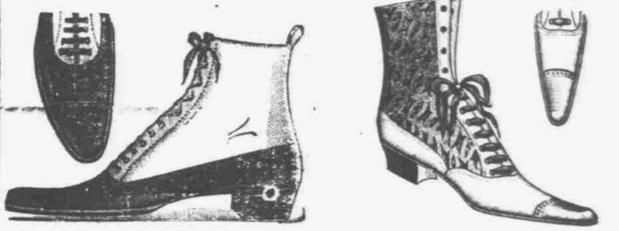
"Keep quiet," yelled the preacher, "or I will contaminate the entiah congregation."

The threat averted further trouble. An attempt will be made to have Vinegar dismissed from the ministry.

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